

Amendments to the Specification:

Please insert the following headings after the Title:

Background of the Invention

1. **Field of the Invention**

Please insert the following heading after paragraph [0002]:

2. **Description of the Related Art**

Please insert the following heading after paragraph [0005]:

Summary of the Invention

Please replace paragraph [0006] with the following amended paragraph:

[0006] By virtue of the method according to the invention, freedom from corrosion in the articulated region of the wiper arm is ensured without cost-intensive dip coating. According to one embodiment of the invention, in a first step the wiper arm articulated part is stamped out of a sheet metal material which is precoated on one side. In the next step, the stamped part is bent in such a way that the coated surface is placed on the inside. The wiper arm fixing part is then joined to the wiper arm articulated part by means of a hinge pin. The wiper arm is then painted by means of a spraying or powder technique, wherein account can be taken of the fact that hidden surface areas are not or are not fully reached by the paint layer. The inner surfaces of the wiper arm articulated part which bear against the wiper arm fixing part or are placed at a narrow spacing therefrom are provided with the precoating of the sheet metal material, so that they are protected against corrosion. An appreciable advantage over the competition is achieved by omitting the investment costs required for a dip coating system.

Please insert the following heading after paragraph [0009]:

Brief Description of Accompanying Drawings

Please insert the following heading after paragraph [0012]:

Detailed Description of the Preferred Embodiments